GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6867
ANSWERED ON:10.05.2000
PERSONAL STAFF OF MINISTERS
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed for the appointment of personal staff by a Cabinet Minister, State Minister or persons to the status of Cabinet/State Ministers;

(b) whether the Cabinet Minsiters/State Ministers or persons equivalent to them have appointed a large army of personal staff;

(c) if so, the instances which have come to the notice of the Government so far;

(d) whether the Government have issued fresh directions to the Ministers/Department to restrict the appointment of personal staff by Ministers and other persons equivalent to them;

(e) if so, the details thereof and steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the steps being taken by the Government to restrict the appintment of personal staff by these persons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS` WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
(SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)
(a) to (f): The number and level of posts admissible on the personal staff of Ministers are indicated in the Annexure. All the Ministries/Departments are required to strictly adhere to the norms laid down in the circular of October 1994 under which they cannot create any additional posts on the personal staff of Ministers without the prior approval of the Department of Personnel & Training and the Ministry of Finance. Creation of posts outside the sanctioned strength are allowed only if matching savings are made available by surrendering some posts from within the scale of entitlement. The norms laid down by this Ministry are being followed by all the Union Ministers and this Ministry is not aware of deviation, if any.
This Department has also issued directions to all the Ministries/Departments in January, 1998 not to have informal attachment of personal staff in Minister`s office from subordinate formation of the Ministry, including the Public Sector Undertakings.

Sl. No.	Name of post	Scale of Pay	Number of posts admissible Cabinet Minister	Minister of State(MOS) with Independent charge	Minister of State	Deputy Minister
1.	Private Secy	(Rs.14300-18300)/ Rs.12000-16500	1	1	1	1
2.	Aditional P.S.	(Rs.10000-15200)	2	1	1	-
3.	Assitant P.S.	(Rs.6500-10500)	2	2	1	-
4.	First P.A.	(Rs.6500-10500)	1	1	1	1
5.	Second P.A.	(Rs.5500-9000)	1	2	2	1
6.	Hindi Steno.	(Rs.5000-8000)	1	1	1	-
7.	Clerk	(Rs.3050-4590)	1	1	1	1
8.	Driver	(Rs.3050-4590)	1	1	1	1
9.	Attendant	(Rs.2610-3540)	1	1	1	1
10.	Peon	(Rs.2550-3200)	4	3	3	1
	Total :		15	14	13	7